## TOWN OF ABINGDON BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW REGULAR MEETING APRIL 6, 2005 - 1:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Wednesday, April 6, 2005 at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

Mrs. Betsy White, Chairman, called the meeting to order, welcoming visitors and explaining the purposes of the Board of Architectural Review.

## ROLL CALL

Members Present Mrs. Betsy White, Chairman

Mr. Andrew Hargroves, Vice-Chairman

Mr. Thomas C. Phillips, Jr. Mr. Harry L. McKinney Mrs. Doris Shuman

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: None

Administrative Staff: Mr. A. C. Bradley, Director of Planning/Zoning

Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Town Planner

Visitors: Mr. Charles W. Seaver

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(2) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting March 2, 2005

Continued Meeting, March 9, 2005

Motion was made by Mr. Phillips that the minutes of the regular meeting, March 2, 2005 be approved with the following changes:

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**FROM:** Mr. Phillips stated that the cemetery is basically centered around

Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, also, including a Campbell

addition and Penn addition.

TO: Mr. Phillips and Mr. Matthis stated that the cemetery is basically

centered around Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, also, including a

Campbell addition and Penn addition.

Mr. Hargroves seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

Motion was made by Mr. Phillips that the minutes of the continued meeting, March 9, 2005 (continued from March 2, 2005) be approved. Mr. Hargroves seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(3) Certificate of Appropriateness - Historical Society of Washington County (HSWC), Charles W. Seaver, Representative, P. O. Box 484, Abingdon, Virginia 24212; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace and repair parts of existing fence as seen from Plumb Alley and from Court Street across Dene & Dene, P.C. Parking Lot. Tax Map 13 (1) 41.

This is a request for approval to replace and repair parts of existing fence as seen from Plumb Alley and from Court Street across Dene & Dene, P.C.Parking Lot.

Mr. Seaver stated that the existing fence is constructed of materials that are no longer available. It is proposed to replace the existing posts with new posts, stabilize existing structure, replacing old palings with hand manufactured palings that have been constructed by a member of the local Historical Society. The section of the fence most visible is from Court Street across from the parking lot. The visual image will not be changed. Mr. Seaver further stated that probably within five years the fence will have to be replaced totally, with another type material.

After discussion, Mr. Phillips made a motion that this application be approved, as presented. Mr. McKinney seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(4) Certificate of Appropriateness - Doris LaVere and Annette Aronson (Neuro Muscular Pain Relief Center, Inc.), Annette C. Leonard, Representative, 139 West Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace existing garage door for existing structure located at 139 West Valley Street, with glass, French doors. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 9.

The existing structure located at 139 West Valley Street is proposed to be used for residential and business purposes.

This is a request for approval to replace existing garage door with glass, French doors. The door trim will be painted tan and will have a canopy, green in color, with lettering, tan or white in color. The wording on the canopy will read "Neuro Muscular Pain Relief Center, Inc."

After discussion, Mr. McKinney suggested that this application be tabled until the next regular meeting and stated that the applicant needs to submit professional, scaled drawings of proposed changes for review by the Board.

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(5) Certificate of Appropriateness - Sue Ann Morris, 111 West Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace existing boxwood planting with new, smaller boxwoods at 111 West Valley Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 26.

This is a request to replace the existing boxwoods located at 111 West Valley Street with younger, smaller boxwood plantings. The purpose of this request is to reveal the foundation of the structure.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this application be approved, as presented, using only boxwoods as a replacement. Mr. Hargroves seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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## (6) Discussion - General Observations and Information:

After much discussion, the Board of Architectural Review decided upon May 26, 2005 as the date for the next Historic Preservation Lecture. This lecture will be held at the Washington County Public Library and the topic will be on Historic Preservation Tax Credits. Mrs. Virginia McConnell of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources will be giving the presentation. Mr. Jackson will confirm her availability for that date and inform the chair. A title for the lecture will be discussed with Mrs. McConnell.

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There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded and unanimously approved that the meeting be adjourned.

Betsy White, Chairman

W. Garrett Jackson, Secretary